## Dumont Shade Commission Monthly Meeting Minutes Dumont Senior Center, Monday, August 20, 2012 7:35pm

Sunshine Law: The Dumont Shade Tree Commission has complied with the open public meeting act, having sent notice to The Record, Ridgewood news and filed with the Municipal Clerk and posted on the Borough's Official Bulletin Board

Present: Ray Slaman, Abbie Slaman, Tom Fisichella, Sally Tayeb, Rafael Riquelme, Ryan Mertz, Councilman Bill Brophy. Absent: Larry Tobias

- 1- Motion to approve the previous meeting by Abbie and second by Sally. All approve. Tom Abstain.
- 2- **Tree Maintenance**: Tree maintenance are up to date. Need to review the tree on 18 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. DPW no longer have the stump grinder. Most of the stumps were done.
- 3- Standard letters to address residents and different situations were presented to the commission by Ray. This is to make responses to the residents more efficient and improve communications.
- 4- Looking at October for a training section given by Tom Fisichella in tree maintenance, tree planting and care.
- 5- **Adopt- a-Tree**: Calvary Church and a resident from the Apartments in Dumont Terrace are requesting tree plantings. Fall planting goal is 20-30 trees. Steve Grotius to submit bid for fall planting.
- 6- **Farmers Market**: Looking to make a presence at end of September.
- 7- **Dumont Day**: Commissioners were asked to help out on the Shade Tree Commission Tent. Meeting at 8am to set-up. Breakdown around 5pm.
- 8- **PSEG**: Need to make sure that there is supervision when PSEG are trimming trees. Make sure they are following rules.
- 9- Discuss possibly introducing a draft for private trees regulations.
- 10- **Friends of Shade Tree**: Group met to discuss and prepare application for the non for profit. Next step is filling and pay fees.
- 11- **Arboretum**: Meeting to be held August 22 at the Arboretum to discuss specs and ideas.

Adjournment 9:05pm